GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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SCHOLARSHIP FOR ST STUDENTS
Kodikunnil Shri Suresh

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government runs a 100 per cent Centrally Sponsored Scheme for the Post Matric Scholarship for Scheduled Tribe students;

(b) if so, whether only amounts in excess of the committed liability of a State Government are reimbursed;

(c) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Kerala Government has requested for the reformulation of this scheme; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and action taken/being taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS (DR. TUSHAR A. CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Tribal Affairs implements a "Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post Matric Scholarship for Scheduled Tribe students" through the State Governments and UT Administrations. As per provision of the scheme, 100% central assistance is provided to the State Governments/UT Administrations over and above their committed liability. The actual expenditure in the terminal year of the Five Year Plan becomes the committed liability of the State Governments and UT Administrations concerned for every year of the next Five Year Plan. The Committed Liability of State Governments and UT Administrations for 11th Five Year Plan is at Annexure.

(d) : No specific proposal has been received from the State Government of Kerala for the reformulation of this scheme.

(e): Does not arise.